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Krumcke and Beard Visit Thermal School Project

Continuing the work of the Joshua Tree Chamber of Commerce in its endeavor to secure suitable school buildings Gray Krumcke and George Beard journeyed to Thermal to investigate the use of surplus Army buildings as schools there. They spent the entire day Friday inspecting the work and were given excellent cooperation and information by Superintendent Kelly of the Thermal schools and Rex T. Johnson, construction superintendent.

The Joshua Tree men were assured by Johnson that the hospital ward buildings under consideration by this district are far superior to barracks buildings, and if properly altered could be approved by the State Architect, particularly for temporary structures. Complete detailed information was obtained and will be made available to the Morongo school trustees and all civic groups concerned.

As mentioned in last week's issue of The Desert Trail a meeting was held at Dr. Ince's home in 29 Palms at which an alternate plan was presented for consideration by the Trustees and voters of the district. Final action by the board has not been taken altho an architects services have been retained. This is the first required step in either new construction or alteration.

Further investigation is in progress by the Chamber of Commerce and results will be announced when achieved.

Death Takes James E. Carman of Morongo

Tuesday June 24th at 7 A.M., James E. Carman, three year resident of Morongo Valley, died at the age of 81 of a cerebral hemorrhage. Mr. Carman was born Jan. 31, 1866, in New York and was married November 27, 1896 to Lola Grubb. Mrs. Carman passed away in March 1946. Funeral services for Mr. Carman were held Saturday afternoon in Banning and he was buried beside his wife in Banning Cemetery.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Valentine McCracken and Mrs. Emeline Scott, both of Morongo Valley, ten grandchildren and five great grandchildren.

Fire Destroys Two Morongo Homes

Fire of undetermined origin destroyed two new unoccupied dwellings owned by Isadore Lindebaum and Isaac Sterns in the Tinch development at 2 a.m. last Tuesday morning. The concrete block walls are standing but badly cracked and warped, while the roofs and interiors are a total loss. Because of the long run from 29 Palms the fire truck arrived too late to save the structures.

The American Flag



BY

OZRO DODGE THOMAS

Behold me! Look long upon me!
For I am a Symbol of Honor.
Dyed red with the blood of heroes,
White starred with eternal hope,
Like to the blue vault of Heaven.
These broad stripes of virginal white,
Emblems are, of the purity and nobility
Of the Liberty I warrant. Bought
With the sacred lives of patriots,
Sired by the love of freedom
For all peoples and nations.
I remain the foe of tyranny,
And the Hope of mankind,
The Guardian of equality,
And the Defender of justice.
I rule, with the consent of the governed,
A nation of Freedom under the law,
And not by the caprice of wilful men.
While my shining folds remain unfurled,
All peoples, of every race and tongue,
Trust in me, and, in security, find peace
And comfort in the shadow of my substance.
For I am the Flag of Freedom,
And the symbol, forever, of Honor.

New Floodlights To Shine Friday

Local Couple To Wed

Plans for a late summer wedding were announced Saturday by Miss Mary Johnson of Valley View and Deserair and Bob Seipel, a former Joshua Tree resident and now of Los Angeles. A definite date has not been set for the ceremony.

Miss Johnson is employed in the office of the Dean of Engineering at the University of Southern California. Bob Seipel was the second baseman of the Joshua Cubs until his recent departure. He intends to enter U.S.C. in September and will major in Foreign Trade. Bob was a signalman 1st class in the Navy and served in the Atlantic and Pacific theatres.

Miss Johnson and Mr. Seipel are former residents of Buffalo, N.Y.

Sportsmans Club Honors Helpers

Monday evening, June 30, the members of the Sportsmans Club were hosts to the maids and matrons who sold tickets for the jeep raffle and to the members of the electricians crew that installed the floodlights on their own time at the ball field. About forty members and guests enjoyed a spaghetti dinner with beer at the Legion Hall. The Sportsmans Club thanked the workers for their invaluable aid and acknowledged a debt to many other individuals and firms that contributed in other ways to the success of the Clubs recreation program.

The official opening of the Cubs-Legion ball park for night competition will occur Sunday evening, July 6th at eight o'clock. Participating in the ceremony will be members of the Sportsmans Club, officials of the Softball League and other dignitaries of Joshua Tree and 29 Palms. The feature of the evening will be an exhibition game between a picked team from the neighboring village and the Joshua Cubs.

The construction of the facilities at the ball park was completed in a remarkably short period of time due to the concerted efforts of many individuals, firms and local organizations. The Lafferty Brothers and Mr. Webb were responsible for the grading, Crane Builders Supplies furnished the lumber for the backstop, the members of the Cal-electric crew donated their time in erecting the poles and installing the floodlights. Billy Royal, Charles Berry and Roger Clark furnished equipment and materials and many members of the American Legion and the Sportsmans Club as well as other citizens put in long hours getting the grounds and bleachers in shape. Seating capacity of the bleachers is limited to about sixty due to the shortage of lumber but additions will be made as material becomes available. Plenty of parking space exists along the first and third base lines.

The Sportsmans Club and the Legion indicate that the present set up is only the first of many features planned for the decreation of Joshua Tree and its neighbors. League games can now be scheduled here as well as at Gilpin Field. The inauguration Sunday night is open to the public.

Yucca Valley Ready For Legion Celebration on Fourth of July

Yucca Mesa Man Injured

Barney Copley who is employed at the O. D. Thomas project on Yucca Mesa sufered a painful injury to his forearm Friday morning, June 27. While installing a sash fixture a spring flew out and cut a deep gash in his arm. Martel Ferris took Copley to 29 Palms after O. D. Thomas had applied a tourniquet to the arm. Dr. Smith treated the wound which required nine stitches. Except for some loss of blood no serious results are expected.

Plans are completed for the grand Fourth of July celebration to be staged by the Yucca Valley American Legion Post. Festivities will begin at ten in the morning and last until the band plays Home, Sweet Home at night.

Art Goodwin, general chairman of the event, has supervised arrangements for a complete holiday for the enjoyment of all the communities in the area. There will be a track meet with many novel races, a baked ham plate lunch at noon served by the ladies of the Auxiliary, a baseball game, and a midway with attractions for all ages.

Committees appointed by the chairman and veterans of both World Wars have been working together to assure a bang up success for this first post war feature in Yucca Valley.

The Personal Touch

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Kaufman and Mrs. Rebecca Cohen spent last Thursday in Joshua Tree inspecting their property on the hiway with a view to building court sites in the future.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mitchell were in Los Angeles Tuesday and Wednesday on a combined business and pleasure jaunt.

Several members of the younger set enjoyed a picnic in Coyote Hole Canyon last Tuesday evening. Frankfurters roasted over an open fire were accompanied by drafts of a mild malt beverage. Among those present were Ray and Lonnie Schultz, Jeanette and Roger Clark and children, Pat and Phyllis Keys, Richard Johnson, Martel Ferris, Bill Williams and Bob Garry.

Mary Ojala, accompanied by her daughter Norma and Sandra Sanders spent Monday to Wednesday last week in several of the cities in the metropolitan area. One night was spent with a sister of Mrs. Ojalas in Hollywood and another with cousins in North Hollywood. Mary was busy daytimes buying equipment and supplies for the beauty salon she will open soon.

Gladys Teeter was in town for a few days after having been in Los Angeles on combined business and pleasure trip.

Visiting Sam Lafferty until July 1st were his daughter Patricia Lafferty of Sunset Beach and his sister, Mrs. Beulah Austin of El Monte.

Mrs. Edith Thomsen and son Elmer, of Van Nuys, spent Saturday and Sunday with their friends Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Kirch. They enjoyed a trip thru the Valley and a side trip to Indian Cove, where they explored some of the caves and did considerable climbing.

Margaret Bair and her daughter Edith Dimond visited in Venice last weekend. They attended the speed boat races at Long Beach, too.

George Bloom has proven himself an artist as well as a master-craftsman in the construction of a fireplace in the home he is building on Sunrise and Park Boulevard. It is a symmetrical arrangement of Arizona flagstone, copper and iron bearing rock from the old mine back of Giant rock, and quartz and local granite from here.

Zilpha Keatley is spending the summer at home with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Keatley. Miss Keatley will be a senior at Whittier College next fall. She is majoring

in philosophy, psychology and sociology.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex B. Chapman and children, Lana Jeanne, Buddy and Mary Jane, of Worland, Wyoming, are visiting Mrs. Chapman's parents, the Milo T. Cranes. Mr. Chapman is combining a vacation with his family with a business trip for the Holly Sugar Company of which he is an official. The Chapmans were surprised at the livability of our desert and while here made movies of many of the more interesting spots.

Jack Poole, head of the Joshua Tree Service Company was in town Thursday and Friday to check up on his interests here.

Jack Crane toured with the truck to the big city on Friday to bring back supplies for the business.

With the O. C. Harringtons on Valley View and Cholita for an extended visit is Mrs. Harrington's sister, Mrs. Walter Lawrence of Merryville, Louisiana.

Evelyn Paxton returned to the Paxton Hollywood home after a week spent at "The Joshuas" with her mother, June Le Mert Paxton.

Week end visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. Heppard on Grand View are the Ralph Eckenbergs and tiny son Chris of San Pedro.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond I. Embury of Inglewood are sojourning at their Quail Springs ranch for a short while.

Here for several weeks at their home on Easterly Drive are Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Winter of Los Angeles.

A. R. Lawton is manufacturing adobe brick to be used in a home he will build for his sister, Mrs. Wm. F. Keyes, on her ranch in the Monument.

Guests at the Meredith Willeys home on El Reposo the past week were Hannah and Marvin Williams of Long Beach. Mrs. Williams and Mrs. Willey are cousins. The Willeys entertained a few friends at a cocktail party before the Sportsmans dance on Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Neff returned Tuesday from an extended trip thru Oklahoma, Texas and Louisiana. They visited the old plantation home in Avoyelles Parish and enjoyed a reunion with old friends in the church where they were married.

L. E. Newlon and G. R. Scott of Los Angeles stopped at the Journal office Wednesday on their way to

inspect their five acre leases on government land.

Miss Mary Reynolds of Los Angeles who was a week end visitor at the Club House purchased a business lot at Sun Valley Acres.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Goode were guests last week at Mira Monte Court. The Goodes are residents of Santa Monica.

Also at Mira Monte for several weeks is Mrs. Thomas McLaughlin of Los Angeles. Mr. McLaughlin will be here for the week ends during his wife's stay in our village.

Forrest Wilson is entertaining for several weeks his daughter, Diane, and his son Ronald. They are enjoying the urban life of Joshua Tree as well as the desert beauty of Hidden Valley ranch.

Week ending at Desertaire Lodge were Mr. and Mrs. Detar of Southgate, George Phelps of Los Angeles and Mr. and Mrs. Reed and Mrs. Reed's mother of Los Angeles.

The Misses Kathleen and Marie Dana of North Hollywood arrived Friday for a week's stay at their attractive new desert home on Mountain View Circle. With them was their house guest Mrs. Alma Ryder of Antigo, Wisconsin, who will remain until the first of August.

Raymond Moore returned Sunday evening from Long Beach where he and Mrs. Moore were visiting a daughter. Mrs. Moore will remain for a week dividing her time between visits in Long Beach and Bell.

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The store which is located on the Hiway just across from the tract office is equipped with extra large walk-in refrigerators, frozen food cabinets and refrigerated display cases. Now building is a storage room at the back which runs the full width of the structure.

Work Begun on Sun Valley Roads

Sam Lafferty of Lafferty Brothers, local grading contractors, reports that grading is now in progress preparatory to the surfacing of roads in the Bunker Land Company development in Sun Valley Acres. Oil is expected on Monday for mixing of the surface material. Final topping for traffic will be done later.

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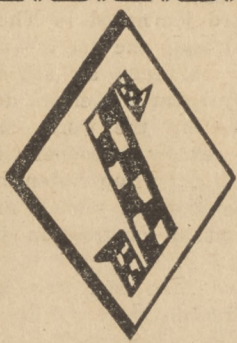
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Local Masons Attend Palm Springs Lodge

In a caravan of 21 Masons from this area were included Raymond Moore, I. W. Crandall and Charles L. Stokes, who attended a meeting of the Palm Springs Masonic Lodge.

The last meeting of the local group was held Friday, June 27th at the Josh Barn in 29 Palms. Further sessions have been suspended until the fifth of September.



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Flying News From 'K' Field

Ray Parker test flew his new sailplane, "The Rigid Midget." The performance was better than his expectations.

Bob Thomas has a "fire engine red" sailplane that he is taking back.

The glider pilots have been working night and day getting ready for the meet.

Bill Putnam is ferrying a sailplane from "K" to Wichita Falls, Texas, that is to be used as a sound glider.

All ships will have left "K" by this Wednesday.

Sun Valley News

There's a sad eyed white bulldog in Sun Valley that wants someone to give him a home. It was reported that his owners have abandoned him. Nobody feeds him or sees that he has water to drink. If you have a place for the friendly mutt the neighbors can tell you where to find him.

Larry Gray, tract manager, reports the fall of a meteor or part of one that he observed last Monday night. It seemed to fall in the Monument, said Larry, and looked like a Fourth of July exhibition. Larry also killed a vicious rattler that attacked him on the Victorville road. Never a dull moment on the desert, say we.

Mrs. A. W. Wallace visited her brother, W. A. Dellsite, at Alhambra last week.

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Morongo Valley Notes

Kenneth Fobes has been removed from Palm Springs Hospital to his home in Pasadena where he is now convalescing. Fobes suffered a broken vertebra when he fell from the windmill on his Morongo Valley place a week ago Sunday.

It was reported that James Freeman, former Morongo Valley resident and recently of Pasadena, has purchased Sam Hoffman's interest in the Shell Station and with Mrs. Freeman will again make his home here.

Hank Edgard suffered a cut leg and torn ligaments early last week when the horse he was riding brushed him forcibly against a stone wall.

Mrs. Ethel Roehn and Mrs. Maybelle Whann have sold their home to Mrs. Maxwell. Mrs. Roehn is now residing in the Baumer home and Mrs. Whann has gone to Honolulu for the summer.

Miss Ruth McCracken spent a week with her mother and sister, Mrs. Valentine McCracken and Charlotte. Ruth will return to Redondo Beach to attend summer school. Her brother David will spend the summer with his father in Redondo.

A premature 4th of July urge had disastrous results for Johnny Welcher, aged five, last week. He warned his sister Joan, who was in a car back of the Shell station that he was going to blow up the car. He lit a match at the gas tank and was burned about the face in the resultant explosion.

Joan was unhurt but Johnny had to be rushed to the hospital for some treatment.

Among the guests at Morongo Lodge this week end were Attorney and Mrs. Royal M. Galvin of Pasadena who were visiting the desert for the first time. Also from Pasadena were Mark Kelly and son. From Los Angeles came Mr. and Mrs. Leo Samuels, Jr. Mr. Samuels is a swimming pool contractor.

At the lodge, too were Minna Gombel, Hollywood movie star, and her friend Miss De Churchill. Their new home in Pioneertown is nearing completion.

Mrs. M. Haley, formerly of Wolverhampton, England and now resident at Pacific Beach, will be a guest at Morongo Lodge for two weeks.

Mrs. Ann Corum, housekeeper at Morongo Lodge, left July 1st for a two months vacation at Helena, Bld Lodge and other Montana points.

The H. M. Hesses are driving a glistening new Packard Clipper.

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U. of C. Experts Offer Hot Weather Advice

Of interest to turkey, chicken and rabbit raisers in this territory is advice sent to us by the Agricultural Extension service of the University of California College of Agriculture. Altho this desert area is free from the diseases caused by excessive dampness and cold a few precautions should be taken to safeguard poultry and rabbits against sudden heat waves.

Hot days may occur any time during the summer. Sudden changes are as hard on poultry and rabbits as they are on people. Give poultry and rabbits the care they need, urges the county farm supervisor.

Lloyd P. Sharp, assistant farm advisor, says be sure the chicken watering devices are functioning 100 per cent. Have shade available for the birds when they want it. If the birds are in batteries, sprinkle the ground under the cages

and better yet, apply a fine mist spray to the roof. For chickens in regular houses or yards, put in extra containers of cool water so that birds do not have to go far for a drink. If the heat is so extreme that birds begin to pile up and die even with these precautions, put the fine mist spray directly on them.

Chickens do not feel like eating during very hot days. Turn on night lights for a couple of hours in the evening, he suggests. Let them eat when it's cool. That will help maintain egg production.

Mr. Sharp also warns about the effect of sudden heat on rabbits. He says the most important single thing for the rabbit hutches is a roof sprinkler. This should be

turned on when temperatures reach 85 or 90. Small hutches should be moved into the shade. He also suggests wire baskets made of one-eighth inch hardware cloth into which a new litter can be moved during hot days to get them out of their fur-lined nests. An ample water supply is, of course, fully as necessary as for poultry. If rabbits are definitely uncomfortable from heat in spite of roof sprinklers and wet floors, put wet burlap sacks on half of the wire part of the hutch floor for the rabbits to lie on.

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To keep pace with technical developments accelerated by war discoveries.



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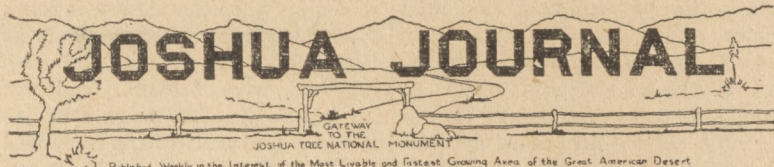
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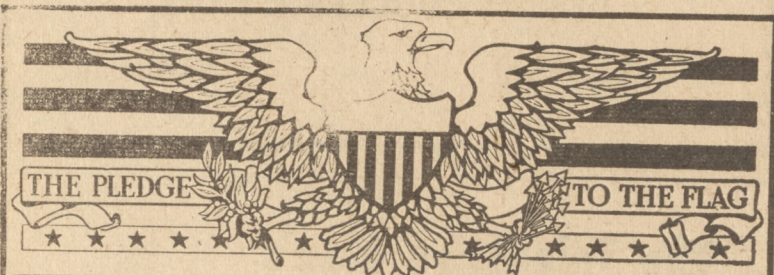
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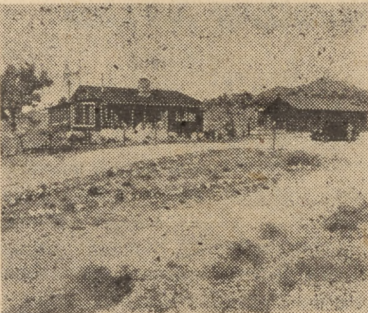
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**THE JOSHUAS**

Our apologies to June Le Mert Paxton and her many readers for our lapse of memory. This week's philosophy was left on the spindle when we went to press. It will appear with next week's issue.

Phil Ossifer Says

If it ain't one thing it's another. First we don't have enough of anything, and before you know it we have too much.

The Fourth of July is coming. That means anywhere from 250 to 300 accidental deaths on the highways of the nation. During the three days, Friday, Saturday and Sunday, July 4, 5 and 6, remember that the other fellow has as much right to his life and happiness as you have. Follow the Golden Rule—or stay home.

It cannot be stressed too often that 85 proof whiskey and 90 horse power automobile are dangerous combinations.

Talking about being satisfied. Did you ever meet anybody who was? It doesn't matter how well you are situated, or how much money you have, there is ALWAYS something lacking.

Did you ever notice that it doesn't make any difference where you are after you go to sleep? Whether it's on the ground, a good mattress under you, or even sitting in a chair, once you fall asleep you forget your surroundings.

If you eat too much you become bloated. If you don't eat enough you have gnawing pains. So what's the use.

If you want to lose a friend, loan him some money.

Remember that old saying — As bad as I am, and as good as you are, I am as good as you are as bad as I am? Heard a school boy say that to another recently. Probably heard it from some older person.

**Morongo Valley
Post Office Opened**

Residents of Morongo Valley will no longer be served via Whitewater since the opening of the new post office on July 1st. Ample room for window service and lock boxes has been provided in the Variety store by Mrs. Valentine McCracken, postmaster.

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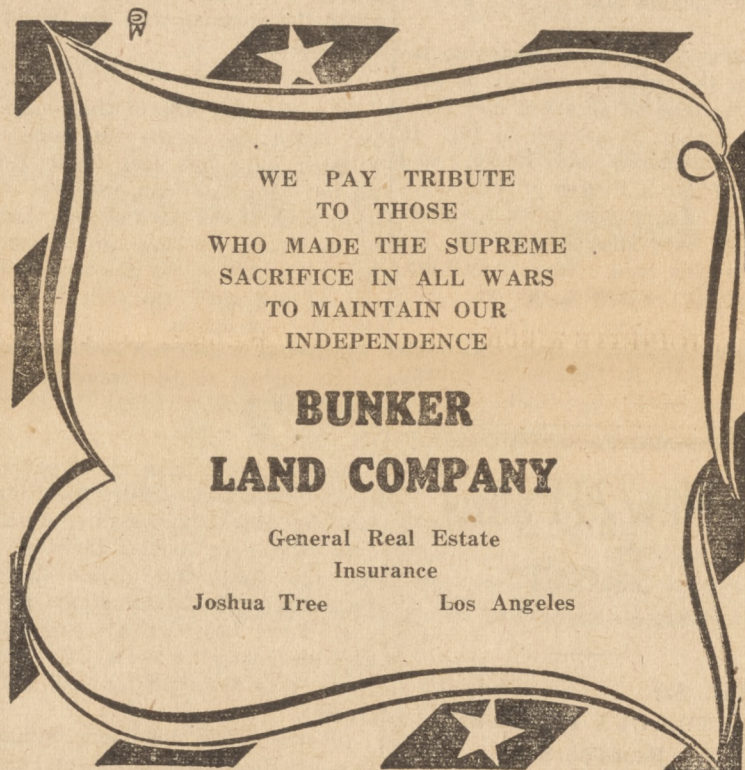
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Rev. Robert M. Hogarth of Palm Springs
Second Sunday of each month in Community Church at 29 Palms

Church Corner

By ANTOINETTE KIRCH

Dr. Williams read from II Corinthians, 8th Chapter, 21st Verse. The subject of Dr. Williams sermon was "Be Honest with God."

The plans for our Community Chapel are shaping up very satisfactorily, and before long we will be breaking ground and starting the much needed church in our community.

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What's Doing On The Desert

This outburst is prompted by a question invariably asked of the desert dweller by those benighted souls who, perforce, must live in the congested metropolitan areas where fresh air is worth its weight in gold, a sight of the sun is a long remembered event and the smashing fenders grind out a fitting accompaniment to the hundreds of assorted noises that make nervous wrecks out of human beings that were born to enjoy a normal existence.

What do we do, indeed! To begin with, we are awakened by the murmur of the cool winds thru the greasewood and the Joshuas; we throw off the covers—yes, covers, because no matter how hot the day the night was crisp,—and look out upon a wondrous land of spacious desert verdure reaching out to the foothills that climb up to juniper and pinon covered mountains, all sparkling in sunlight that brings an ever changing color scheme of reds, yellows, greens and browns. That's just the beginning.

Thru the day there's work to be done. For the men folks building is the big job—building homes and shops for now and the future. And all the time they are soaking up the sunshine that heals and strengthens. For those who have come to visit the desert there are literally thousands of places to go and things to see. The National Monument right on our doorstep, Giant Rock where the would be Nazi spy blew himself and an officer of the law to kingdom come, the old mines in the mountains, Surprise Spring—we could keep on

like this for pages.

But you are looking for more practical things, you say. Well, let's see, there is the Chamber of Commerce, the American Legion, and its Auxiliary, the V.F.W., the D.A.V., the Woman's Club, the Lions Club, and dozens of other organizations. There are baseball games, swimming pools, horses to ride, shops in which to browse and cocktail lounges and soda fountains. There are dances to go to, wienie roasts and steak fries, and the desert in the light of a bulbous moon.

What do we do on the desert? To tell you the truth we don't have enough time to do all the things there are to do. Life is too short. You won't believe it until you try it and then you'll never want to leave.

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- SPORTS -

Cubs Win Exhibition Under New Lights

In a scorekeepers nightmare that included comedy, near-tragedy and some of the cock-eyedest baseball ever played the home towners took apart the Joshua Cafe team from 29 Palms Thursday night at Gilpin Field 29 runs to 9. It was a hard game on the bleacherites, many of whom started drifting away before the final out was made two hours and a half after the first ball was pitched.

The Cubs had a different line-up as Marble, pitcher and Manzer, regular third sacker, were absent. Clark did the hurling, Meiston took Clark's place in centerfield, and Goudy handled third nicely. Berryhill pitching for Josh Cafe walked the first three Cubs to face him, then Johnson rifled a two bagger and Schultz leaned on the next one for a circuit clout. Berryhill continued with two more free passes to Ford and Garry then settled down to fan Meiston. Goudy walked and Thomas, up for the second time, singled. Two errors on that play allowed Goudy to score and Thomas went to third where he died as Lehye flied out and Clark whiffed. The Cafe team got two runs making the score at the end of the first 8 to 2.

The Aldridge-Below boys scored once in the second and then cut loose again in the third. Thomas led off with a walk, Lehye and Clark singled and Johnson was safe on an error only to be caught napping later. Schultz benefitted by another bobble, Ford strolled and so did Garry. Meiston hit and

Schultz was forced at home. Goudy lost the next ball in the Bullion Mountains and cleared the bases. Thomas put one in the centerfielder's glove to end the spree. Seven more tallies were added to the Cubs' score.

The second and third were unprofitable for the 29ers. In the fourth Lehye started off for the Cubs by waiting for another walk, and Clark showed no mercy as he slammed a homer. After Johnson had singled, Schultz was safe on an error and Ford walked, Garry swung fiercely and the bat slipped out of his hands. It sailed over the Cubs' bench and struck Bobby Wilson of Joshua Tree in the head. The youngster was taken to a doctor who reported the injury not serious. Garry was given an automatic out. Meiston singled, Goudy popped out and Thomas forced Schultz at home to end the inning.

The Cafe team got one in their half of the fourth. The Cubs got rough again in the first of the fifth as Lehye singled, was forced at second on Clark's grounder. Clark got the same treatment from Johnson. Schultz and Ford got free tickets then Garry scored three ahead of him when he got a four bagger. Meiston obliged the opposition by grounding out. The Josh Cafe men did a little better in their half as Clark and the Cubs relaxed a bit to let in four runs. But the locals kept on and on to add six more while holding the Cafe team to two more scores.

Berryhill gave away seventeen bas's on balls and fanned two. Clark was steady as he walked six and struck out three. For Joshua Tree Clark, Schultz, Garry and Goudy homered. Ford was passed five times.

A pleasant episode opened the game as Myra Coulter's little daughter Carolyn presented Sam Bailey, chief umpire, with a new whisk broom all done up with a fancy red ribbon. Sam officiated

Cubs Smother Josh Cafe 29-9

An unofficial opening of the recently illuminated Legion-Cubs field was marked by a victory for the Cubs over a Dean-Bagley combination at Joshua Tree Monday night, June 23. The final score was Cubs 12 and DBs 4.

Marble was almost invincible as he scattered the four runs that the visitors garnered. The Cubs' line-up was shifted thruout the game and gave a chance for the substitutes to show their stuff. Eleven of the Cubs' runs were scored in the first two innings, with Lehye, Johnson and Goudy hitting four baggers.

The new six pole lighting system provided daylight visibility even to the far corners of the outfield.

Score by innings — R
D-B 1 0 1 0 0 2 4
Cubs 6 5 0 1 0 0 4 12

- SPORTSHORTS -

Have you ever noticed 1st baseman Johnson's footwork at the plate when he gets set to swing? If Nijinsky could see it he would go madder than he is now.

The new floodlights at Cubs Field really brighten up the night sky. They can be seen very easily from the top of the grade just west of Smoke Tree, so our scouts report.

The last hand at the hole-card session Friday night still has a couple of participants talking to themselves. Two straight flushes made the going rough on the shoe clerks.

Wonder why no one has tried one of those land yachts on the behind the plate. Sullivan watched first base and Alsasser was the arbiter at third.

Score by innings — R
Josh Cubs 8 1 7 3 4 1 5 29
Josh Cafe 2 0 0 1 4 1 1 9

lry lake by Copper Mountain? Ought to make plenty of speed there.

You won't believe this when you read it, but I actually saw it. Three men climbed on the water wagon, a real one, Sunday afternoon. Chester Bunker, Steve Moninger and Sam Lafferty mounted to the cab of Sam and Pat's aqua speed-wagon and took off to the west. That's a handy vehicle to have around on week ends.

Joshua Tree is now in a class with New York, Boston, Chicago and a few other big towns, since we have two teams representing our metropolis in organized baseball.

SOFTBALL SCHEDULE

July 1—DMB vs. Marks.
July 2—D and B vs. Marks.
July 3—Kenney's vs. Joshua Tree.
July 8—Marks vs. Josh Cafe.
July 9—Joshua Tree vs. DMB.
July 10—Kenney's vs. D and B.

Bruins In Initial Junior Tilt

The opening of the Junior League Softball competition at Gilpin Field Friday night was featured by the Joshua Bruins 11 to 8 win over a hard fighting team sponsored by Radio Doc of 29 Palms. Shaffer for the Bruins limited the opposing hits to five while his teammates were touching Nicholson of the Radiomen for fourteen safeties.

Home run bonuses of one dollar each offered by the Desert Market Basket were captured by Shaffer and Berry of the Bruins. Shaffer, Wagner, Marble and Boyle hit for three bases while two baggers were slammed out by Marble, Weston, Biggs and Wagner of the locals. Marble relieved Shaffer on the mound in the fifth frame.

Batteries for Radio Doc were Nicholson and Pierce; for the Bruins Shaffer, Marble and Coulter. Final score, Bruins 11, Radio Docs 8.

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American Legion meets the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month at the New American Legion Hall.

Woman's Club meets 3rd Friday of each month at 2 o'clock at the Club House.

Community Youth Fellowship meets at 6:30 P.M. every Sunday evening at the home of Mrs. H. K. Lee on Commercial and Sunburst.

The Tri-Valley Lions Club meets the 1st and 3rd Thursday evenings of each month. Watch the Joshua Journal for announcement of the place.

Board of Directors of the Tri-Valley Lions Club meets last Thursday of each month at the O. D. Thomas Office in Yucca Valley. All members are welcome.

The Sportsman's Club meets at the American Legion Hall the 1st and 3rd Monday of each month.

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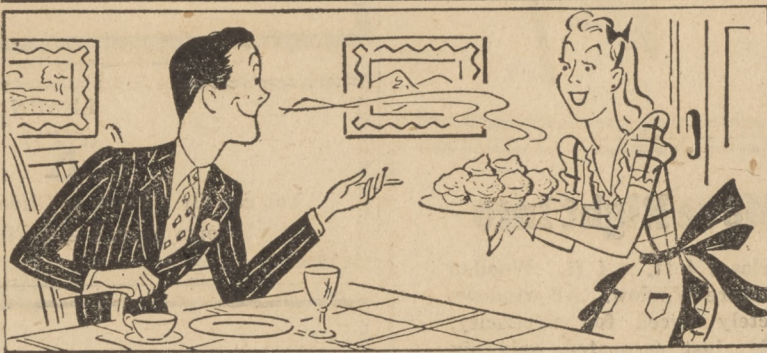
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Word has been received from M. J. Bell of the Department of Motor Vehicles that he will be in 29

Palms at the Josh Barn to issue driver's licenses on July 3rd. If your license is about to expire take advantage of Mr. Bell's presence on Thursday, July 3rd.

A Hunch for Brunch



By BETTY BARCLAY

Follow your hunch and prepare a bunch of muffins for your next "brunch". It's easy with a good muffin recipe in your file. Waffles and cookies are brunch foods too — thrifty, nutritious and tasteful. Here are your recipes:

Best-Ever Bran Muffins

1 cup sifted flour
3 teaspoons double-acting baking powder
2 tablespoons sugar
¾ teaspoon salt
½ cup shortening
1 egg, well beaten
¾ cup milk
1½ cups 40% bran flakes

Sift flour once, measure, add baking powder, sugar, salt, and sift again. Cut in shortening. Combine egg and milk and add all at once to flour mixture. To mix, draw spoon from side of bowl toward center (15 times) turning bowl gradually. Chop spoon through batter (10 times). Add flakes and mix (about 5 strokes). Turn into greased muffin pans, filling each about ¾ full. Bake in hot oven (400° F.) 20 minutes, or until done. Makes 8 to 10 muffins.

Buttermilk Flakes Waffles

1 cup sifted flour
¾ teaspoon soda
½ teaspoon salt
1 cup wheat flakes
2 egg yolks, well beaten
1 cup buttermilk or sour milk
4 tablespoons melted butter or other shortening
2 egg whites

Sift flour once, measure, add soda and salt, and sift again. Add flakes and mix well. Combine egg yolks, milk and butter; add to flour mixture, beating only until smooth. Beat egg whites until they will hold up in moist peaks. Stir quickly but thoroughly into batter. Bake in hot waffle iron. Serve with maple-flavored syrup. Makes three 4-section waffles.

Raisin Bran Molasses Cookies

2 cups sifted flour
½ teaspoon double acting baking powder
1 teaspoon soda
1 teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon cinnamon
1½ teaspoons ginger
½ cup shortening
½ cup sugar
1 egg
½ cup molasses
1½ tablespoons vinegar
2 tablespoons milk
1 cup raisin bran

Sift flour once, measure, add baking powder, soda, salt, and spices, and sift again. Cream shortening, add sugar gradually, and cream together until light and fluffy. Add egg and beat well. Add molasses and vinegar; mix thoroughly. Add flour mixture, alternately with milk, mixing well after each addition. Add bran and blend. Drop from teaspoon on greased baking sheet. Bake in hot oven (400° F.) 8 minutes, or until done. Makes 5 dozen cookies.

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Visitors are looking for things like that which they cannot get in the city markets and shops. Maybe a cooperative hand craft guild could collect and sell the products of many workers or the gift and novelty shops might offer a ready market.

For someone who knows the

more interesting spots in the desert a tourist guide service could be made into a profitable sideline on the week ends and holidays. Many folks hesitate to venture on some of the trails that hold no terrors for the trained desert traveler and thus fail to see worthwhile places. Read up on the past history of the area and talk to the old timers for forgotten lore that might intrigue the sightseers. That's the stuff that makes 'em want to come back time and again.

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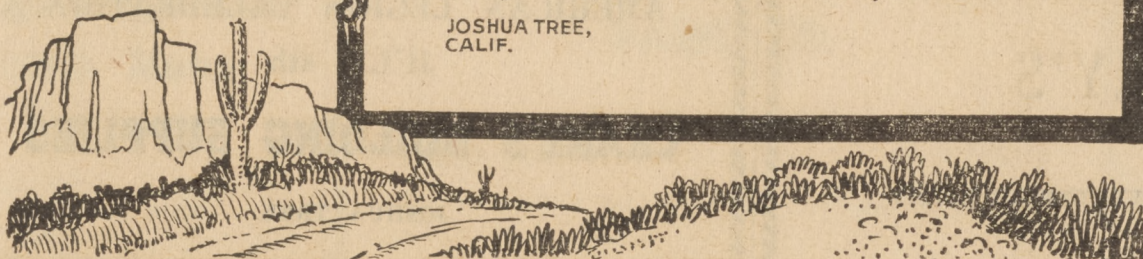
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